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1. The airfield is about 10 km south-southeast of Dnepropetrovsk ($48^{\circ}27'N$ / $34^{\circ}59'E$), Ukrainian S.S.R., between the Dnepr River and the highway to Zapurozh'ye ($47^{\circ}49'N$ / $35^{\circ}01'E$). A railroad line ran along the western border of the field. A triangulation point, about 15 meters high, consisting of wooden beams arranged like a pyramid, was just west of the field, north of the railroad terminus. The Kolkhoz fields surrounding the field were level. *
2. One repair hangar, some temporary buildings, some splinterproof revetments and fenced-in earth works, probably a fuel dump, and one radio mast were on the western or northwestern edge of the field. Three buildings east of the field were seen from a distance. No construction work was in progress at the field. **
3. About 9 to 12 single-engine fighters, some biplanes and small gliders were seen at the field in 1947, whereas in 1949, as many as 30 or 40 single-engine fighters, low-wing monoplanes with in-line engines, wide wings at the fuselage and oval tips practiced firing, and three to five gliders were seen flying in the evening. If the weather was good, the fighters also made night flights with navigation lights on. The number of aircraft making night formation flights usually did not exceed two or three, but once numbered four. The planes fired at each other and the fire from aircraft weapons could be seen. Joint missions with searchlights, AA or bomber units were not observed. ***

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* [REDACTED] Comment. For sketch of airfield, see Annex. The sketch shows that this is the field on the plateau north of Voloskoye ($48^{\circ}18'N$ / $35^{\circ}09'E$), which is known. A few details on the field were previously reported by two other sources.

The village entered on the sketch as northeast of the field is probably Starye Zaydaki ($48^{\circ}23'N$ / $35^{\circ}07'E$).

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** [REDACTED] Comment. The two hangars and one large multi-story building were previously reported. [REDACTED] The other data of the 25X1A present report were not mentioned previously.

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